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8.(Amended) A pre-filled plastic syringe as claimed in [any of claims] claim 1 [to 7] wherein the closure is a separate component which is located within the barrel or within the needle fitting.

10.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in claim 9 wherein the wall portion is located at any position along the length of the inner wall of the [trunacated] truncated cone.

13.(Amended)

A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of the previous claims]

<u>claim 1</u> in which the needle fitting is a luer lock needle fitting.

14.(Amended)

A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of the previous claims] <u>claim 1</u> in which the closure is puncturable by the rear needle of a double sided hypodermic

needle.

15.(Amended)

A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of the previous claims]

<u>claim 1</u> wherein the closure may be detached or in part broken away from the inner surface of the

needle fitting or the barrel by utilizing a suitable tool.

16.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of claims] claim 10 [to

13] wherein the closure is a wall portion which extends across the internal passage of the

truncated cone and is frangible attached to the inner surface thereof.

21.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of the previous claims] claim 1 which further includes a hollow closure opening conduit, a hypodermic needle and a needle support having an internal cavity, said hypodermic needle being attached at one end to the needle support and said needle support being positioned over the needle fitting, wherein a first end of said closure opening conduit is positioned within said internal cavity of the needle support

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and a second end of the closure opening conduit is positioned within said needle fitting, the closure opening conduit being in liquid communication with the hypodermic needle and being of such length that movement of the needle support towards the moveable stopper end of the syringe will cause the closure opening conduit to break the seal provided by the closure.

- 27.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of claims] <u>claim</u> 21 [to 26] wherein said closure opening conduit is integral with and extends from the needle support.
- 28.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of claims] <u>claim</u> 21 [to 26] wherein said closure opening conduit is a separate component.
- 29.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of claims] <u>claim</u> 21 [to 28] wherein said closure opening conduit includes a central conduit and fins or ribs which extend outwardly therefrom.
- 30.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of claims] <u>claim</u> 21 [to 29] which further includes an overcap located over the hypodermic needle.
- 31.(Amended) A plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of the previous claims] claim 1 wherein the filled and assembled syringe is hermetically sealed within a clear plastic wrapper.
- 32.(Amended) A method of using a plastic pre-filled syringe as claimed in [any one of claims] <u>claim</u> 21 [to 30] wherein said hypodermic needle is pushed or twisted onto the needle fitting whilst the product is hermetically sealed within a clear plastic wrapper.

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